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### **PSC TO HOLD HEARING ON LG&E/KU TRANSMISSION LINE IN JEFFERSON, BULLITT, MEADE AND HARDIN COUNTIES** *Hearing will be March 6 in Elizabethtown*

FRANKFORT, Ky. (Feb. 22, 2005) – The Kentucky Public Service Commission (PSC) will hold a hearing Monday, March 6, in Elizabethtown to receive public comment on revised proposals by Louisville Gas & Electric Co. (LG&E) and Kentucky Utilities Co. (KU) to build an electric transmission line in Jefferson, Bullitt, Meade and Hardin counties.

The hearing will begin at 6 p.m. EST at the Pritchard Community Center, 404 South Mulberry Street in Elizabethtown.

LG&E and KU have submitted two options for a 345-kilovolt line that would extend from LG&E's Mill Creek Generating Station in southwest Jefferson County to KU's Hardin County substation southwest of Elizabethtown. The PSC is considering the options in a consolidated proceeding.

The first option is for 41.9 miles of line. A little more than half the route uses or is parallel to existing rights of way.

The second option, which calls for 43.9 miles of line, is identical to the first except for about 10 miles of line leading into the Hardin County substation. About two-thirds of the route is over or next to existing rights of way.

The application and related documents are available on the PSC Web site: [psc.ky.gov](http://psc.ky.gov). The case numbers are 2005-00467 and 2005-00472.

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An earlier proposal for the line (case number 2005-00142) was denied by the PSC last year.

Anyone wishing to comment on the proposal may do so at the hearing. Depending on the number of people wishing to speak, the length of oral comments may be limited in order to allow everyone to be heard.

Written comments will be accepted at the hearing. Written comments also may be mailed to the PSC at P.O. Box 615, Frankfort, KY 40602, faxed to (502) 564-9625 or sent by e-mail from the PSC Web site.

The evidentiary hearing in the case will begin at 9 a.m. EST on Tuesday, March 28, at the PSC offices at 211 Sower Boulevard in Frankfort. There will be no public comments taken at the evidentiary hearing.

The PSC is an agency within the Environmental and Public Protection Cabinet. It regulates more than 1,500 gas, water, sewer, electric and telecommunication utilities operating in the Commonwealth of Kentucky and has approximately 110 employees.

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